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SUBJ: PRAVDA TREATMENT OF SHULTZ STATEMENT,

PRESIDENT'S REALTORS SPEECH

REF: TREASURY 162004Z NOVEMBER 73 FROM ALAN WADE

1. UNDER HEADING "THREATS AGAIN" PRAVDA NOVEMBER 16 CLAIMS U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY GEORGE SHULTZ HAD WARNED THAT U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL FOLLOW POLICY OF TOUGHNESS TOWARD THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH TAKE STEPS TO LIMIT ACTIVITIES OF AMERICAN MONOPOLIES ON THEIR TERRITORY. CARRYING REUTER BULLETIN AND LOCAL COMMENT BY A. TOLKUNOV, ARTICLE CLAIMS RECENT SHULTZ STATEMENT CONFIRMS THAT WASHINGTON CONTINUES TO TRY TO MAINTAIN ITS DOLLAR POSITION "IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH REACT SHARPLY AGAINST DOMINATION OF AMERICAN MONOPOLIES."

2. TEXT FOLLOWS (INFORMAL TRANSLATION): "THE SECRETARY'S UNCLASSIFIED

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CONCERN IS EXPLAINED BY THE AGGRAVATION OF RELATIONS

WITH THE ARAB COUNTRIES AND A NUMBER OF LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS WHICH, FOLLOWING INDEPENDENT POLICIES, ARE STRENGTHENING THE COURSE OF THEIR NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

"THE U.S. MONOPOLIES, LOSING IMMENSE REVENUES AS A RESULT, ARE ATTEMPTING TO MAINTAIN THEIR POSITIONS. THE LEVERS OF POLITICAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC PRESSURE ARE BEING PUT INTO ACTION. RECENTLY THE UGLY FACTS OF INTERFERENCE IN VENEZUELAN INTERNAL AFFAIRS BY THE AMERICAN GATOR CORPORATION BECAME KNOWN. FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSERVING THEIR POSITION IN LATIN AMERICA THE NORTH AMERICAN MONOPILIES ARE BRAKING THE DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND SOCOALIST COUNTRIES.

"ATTEMPTING TO RETAIN THEIR DOLLAR POSTIONS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH ARE PROTESTING SHARPLY AGAINST THE DOMINANCE OF AMERICAN MONOPOLIES, WASHINGTON IS CARRYING OUT A POLICY OF BLACKMAIL AND INTIMIDATION AGAINST THEM (THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES). CONFIRMATION OF THIS IS THE LATEST SPEECH OF THE U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY, WHO STATED THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL INSIST ON THE CURTAILMENT OF LOANS BY INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS OF CAPITALIST COUNTRIES TO 'INSUBORDINATE' COUNTRIES."

4. SAME ISSUE OF PRAVDA BALANCES ABOVE ITEM WITH TASS REPORT FROM WASHINGTON (OF APPROXIMATELY EQUAL LENGTH) HIGHLIGHTING PRESIDENT'S NOVEMBER 15 FAVORABLE REFERENCES TO U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS AND IMPORTANCE OF GREAT POWER COOPERATION IN MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT. ITEM ALSO TOUCHES BRIEFLY ON DOMESTIC ASPECTS OF SPEECH, INCLUDING PRESIDENT'S REAFFIRMATION OF INTENTION TO REMAIN IN OFFICE.
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